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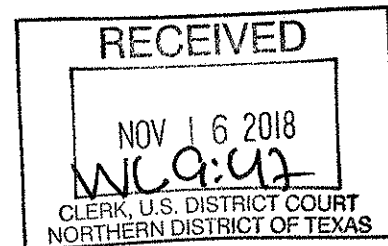
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Karen Mitchell, Clerk
United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas
501 West 10th Street, Room 310
Fort Worth, Texas 76102-3673

Re: *Texas et al. v. United States*
Case No. 4:18-cv-00167-O



Dear Ms. Mitchell:

I write on behalf of the Attorney General of Maine relating to the participation of Paul R. LePage, Governor of Maine, as a party plaintiff in this case. Paul R. LePage, whose term as Governor ends January 2, 2019, has joined this lawsuit as a party plaintiff and is being represented by the Attorney General of Texas. The caption in this case lists Paul R. LePage, Governor of Maine, as a plaintiff. However, the Governor of Maine does not have the authority to retain counsel other than the Attorney General of Maine to represent the interests of the State of Maine in litigation without the consent of the Attorney General of Maine. 5 M.R.S. sec. 191(3). The Attorney General has not consented to the Attorney General of Texas representing the interests of the State of Maine in this case. To the extent that Paul R. LePage seeks to represent the interests of the State of Maine in this lawsuit, such participation is not authorized by law. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan P. Herman

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